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## DETAILED ACTION

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

Claims 1-15, 17-23, 25, 33-37,39-45, 47-51 and 53-55 are rejected under 35
U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 1-15, 17-23, 25, 33-37,39-45, 47-51 and 53-55 direct to non functional data without reciting by any means, circuit or positive steps to process, recording and or reproducing the data. Further, it is noted that the claims do not specify any kind of non-transit medium on which the data are recorded or reproduced to perform a certain function. Since the recitation in the body of claims are mere data or broadcast medium, the data con be considered as a signal, carrier signal or piece of paper of a figure or drawings. See MPEP 2100.

## Drawings

A replacement sheet for corrected figure 11 is required.

## Conclusion

 The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Takakuwa et al and Nishizawa teach recording TS. Art Unit: 2621

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